Fall in Rate of Growth of Bank Deposits

*329. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news-item captioned "Fall in rate of growth of bank deposits" as appeared in the 'Hindustan Times' of the 4th April, 1990;

(b) if so, what are the reasons for fall in rate of growth of bank deposits in the country; and

(c) what steps Government contemplate to improve the situation?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (PROF. MADHU DANDAVATE): (a) to (c).The News-item mentioned in the question gives a brief analysis of the deposit growth in 1988 and 1989. The deposits of all scheduled commercial banks increased by 15.1 per cent in the year 1989 as compared to an increase of 17.6 per cent achieved during 1988. The growth of deposit is regarded as satisfactory and year to year variations are considered to be a normal pattern of deposit growth.

The growth of deposits by banks is continously monitored by the Reserve Bank of India and suitable instructions are issued to ensure that banks sustain growth rates in mobilisation of deposits.

सतलुज-यमुना सम्पर्क नहर का निर्माण

*330. **श्री राम नरेश यादव:** क्या जल संसाधन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या यह सच है कि सतलुज-यमुना सम्पर्क नहर के निर्माण कार्य में पर्याप्त विलम्ब हुआ है;

(ख) क्या यह भी सच है कि इस विलम्ब से परियोजना /की लागत में वृद्धि हो गई है;

(ग) यदि हां, तो प्रारम्भिक लागत कितनी थी और इस समय अनुमानित लागत क्या है; और

(घ) क्या इस परियोजना के अब निर्धारित समय में और नियत लागत से ही पूरी हो जाने की संभावना है और यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं?

जल संसाधन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री मनुभाई कोटाड़िया): (क) जी हां।

(ख) और (ग) वर्ष 1985 में इस परियोजना की प्रारम्भिक अनुमोदित लागत 272 करोड़ रुपए थी। पंजाब सरकार से प्राप्त अनुमान के अनुसार अद्यतन संशोधित लागत 560 करोड़ रुपए हैं।

(घ) परियोजना को संशोधित लागत के भीतर मार्च, 1991 तक पूरा किए जाने की आशा है।

Nationalised Banks functioning in rented/ leased out Premises in Bombay

*331. SHRI BEKAL UTSAHI:

DR. RATNAKAR PANDEY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) in how many cases the branches of the nationalised banks functioning from rented/leased out premises in various localities in Bombay have enhanced the rate of the premises at the rate of prevailing market rent from April this year;

(b) what are the details of the cases under consideration by his Ministry for enhancing the rent and renewing of the lease further in Bombay;

(c) in how many of the cases referred to in part(b) above the lease period lapsed; and

(d) by when in final decision is likely to be taken in each case?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (PROF. MADHU DANDAVATE): (a) to (d) Acquisition-of premises on lease/ rental basis are matters of day to day operations of the banks and decisions in this regard are taken by banks themselves on commercial considerations. The public sector banks consider enhancement in rents of the premises as per the terms and conditions of the lease agreements and also within the broad guidelines issued by Reserve Bank of India in the matter. Government do not interfere in such day to day operations of the banks.

The present system of data collection by Reserve Bank of India does not yield information as to the number of cases in which the branches of the nationlised banks functioning in Bombay on rented premises have increased the rent of the